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Chair Suzanne Case

Board of Land and Natural Resources

**Meeting of the Board of Land and Natural Resources**

**9AM, February 25, 2022, via Videoconference**

*RE: Agenda Item J.1 – Issuance of a Revocable Permit to Pacific Biodiesel, Honokohau Small Boat Harbor*

Aloha, Chair Case and Members of the Board.

Mahalo for considering placement of a mobile biodiesel fueling station at Honokohau Small Boat Harbor. This station will give customers there the convenience of fueling up anytime with locally made, 100% biodiesel.

Biodiesel is a clean fuel that's especially beneficial for boat operators to help protect our fragile marine environment. Biodiesel is 100% renewable, biodegradable and non-toxic. It can be used in any diesel engine to immediately reduce harmful greenhouse gas emissions by 86% compared to petroleum diesel, a fossil fuel.

This free-standing, self-contained station is easy to install and move.

It is accessible 24/7 with an interactive App.

And it is flexible to offer biodiesel for marine, off-road and on-road customers.

Our marine customers are proud to tell us why they choose to fuel up with clean biodiesel:

- Trilogy said... "it's locally made, it's renewable, it's better for the environment."
- Aqua Adventures said.... "it actually helps our engines. It cleans them up and makes them run far superior to regular diesel. And the exhaust smells much better!"
- Pacific Whale Foundation said, "We've had great results and it is a long-term goal of (ours) to have our entire fleet of vessels run on biodiesel."

Locally made biodiesel provides a multitude of benefits for Hawaii's economy and environment:

- Pacific Biodiesel is Hawaii's only commercial producer of liquid biofuels. We produce 5.5 MGY of biodiesel at our refinery on Hawaii Island; our clean fuel is sold entirely in the state.
- We make biodiesel by recycling used cooking oil from restaurants statewide. For each gallon of used cooking oil we recycle, we're able to produce nearly one gallon of biodiesel.
- To expand our local feedstock to make fuel, our founders are sustainably farming sunflowers and other crops to grow "food and fuel" for greater energy security and food security in Hawaii.

Mahalo for the opportunity to provide this testimony.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Joy Galatro". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a long horizontal stroke extending to the right.

Joy Galatro  
Marketing Director  
Pacific Biodiesel